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Attn: Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau

Re: Change in CMAS Election
File via ECFS--PS Docket No. 08-146

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Wilkes Cellular, Inc. and its affiliated companies Dycom Holding, Inc. and Wilkes Telephone and Electric Co., Inc., P.O. Box 277, 110 E. Liberty Street, Washington, GA 30673, hereby submit their change of election letter to declare that they will not provide CMAS service. Currently the companies are not offering the CMAS service to any subscribers. Pursuant to the Commission's March 16, 2012 *Public Notice*, DA 12-419, existing subscribers will be advised of the Companies' elections not to be providers CMAS service.¹ Also, a notice of the election not to provide CMAS service will be posted at points of sale as indicated in the March 16, 2012 *Public Notice*.

The change of election will become effective on September 18 to provide the Commission with the 60 days prior notice required by Section 10.220 of the Commission's rules.

Respectfully submitted,



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¹ Please note that the initial CMAS election submitted by Wilkes Telephone & Electric Co., Inc. seems to have been sent in error. Wilkes Telephone does not currently have any CMRS wireless licenses and it does not have any wireless subscribers. Therefore, no subscriber notification is required. Similarly, Dycom Holding, Inc. is a holder of 700 MHz licenses, but it is in the buildout phase of its system and it is not currently operating, its anticipated service is fixed broadband and not wireless mobile, and it has no subscribers. Therefore, no subscriber notification is required. We regret that the notifications for Wilkes Cellular were not delivered by the May 15, 2012 date specified in the Commission's *Public Notice*. Those notifications will be included as information inserts within the next monthly billing cycle.